

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

## *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, A literate society is essential to economic and cultural development, and South Dakota's libraries help build a free and literate society by enabling a love of reading and by providing easy access to quality books and reading materials; and,

*Whereas*, South Dakota's libraries are multi-faceted resources for the communities they serve providing access to information, programs, and other resources reflecting the interests and needs of their communities; and,

*Whereas*, South Dakota's libraries are community anchors for the 21<sup>st</sup> century providing books, e-books and other resources in all formats for the convenience of users and providing access to authenticated and verified online information; and,

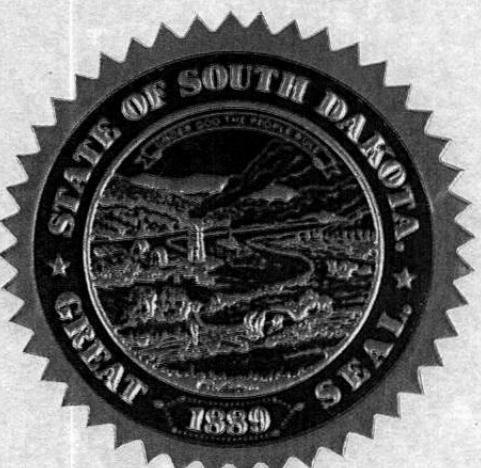
*Whereas*, Libraries lead the way in integrating past and present community information with the tools of modern technology allowing access to vital resources online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; and,

*Whereas*, Libraries enrich the lives of all South Dakotans and are key resources for the life-long education of our citizens:

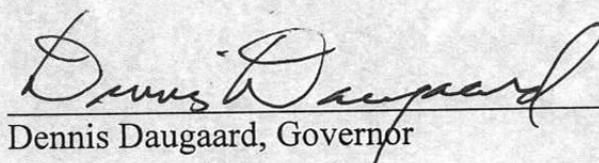
*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 10-16, 2017, as

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and I urge all citizens to recognize the many contributions that our South Dakota libraries have made to their schools, communities, and state.

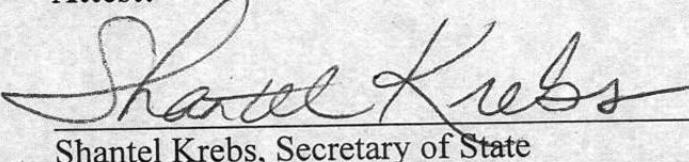


*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirty-first Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.



Dennis Daugaard  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:



Shantel Krebs  
Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State